

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Violet Varona-Lukens, Executive Officer Clerk of the Board of Supervisors 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration Los Angeles, California 90012

At its meeting held May 10, 2005, the Board took the following action:

4 Supervisor Antonovich made the following statement:

"Recognizing the need to reinvigorate the Nation's civilian space program, in January 2004, President Bush outlined a vision for space exploration.

"Besides broadening our scientific understanding of the Universe, space exploration benefits include the development of new technologies, which have everyday applications to improve the quality of life. Space exploration activities also have a major positive impact on the economy, creating numerous jobs, especially here in California and Los Angeles County, which have been leaders in the aerospace industry. According to the California Space Authority, in Federal Fiscal Year 2004, there were nearly \$3.5 billion in direct NASA contracts to businesses, educational institutions, and nonprofit organizations in the State. The County's economy also benefits from the presence of two NASA centers – the Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena and the Dryden Flight Research Center on Edwards Air Force Base."

Therefore, on motion of Supervisor Antonovich, seconded by Supervisor Yaroslavsky, unanimously carried, the Executive Officer of the Board was instructed to send a five-signature letter to the Los Angeles County Congressional Delegation communicating the Board's support for increased funding for NASA in Federal Fiscal Year 2006, as requested by President Bush.

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